

PETERSBURG

ALLEGED THIEVES HELD
FOR GRAND JURY ACTION

They Are Accused of Series of Robberies
From One of Petersburg's
Peanut Plants.

CONFESSION IS REPEATED

Andrew Meredith Sent to Jail for Rob-
bing His Friend of \$20—Wedding in
Dinwiddie.

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Petersburg, Va., May 28.

The three white men, B. L. Brannon, G. M. Davis and Henry Eames, arrested yesterday afternoon on the charge of stealing twenty-three bags of peanuts from the factory of the Dixie Peanut Company, were arraigned in the Police Court this morning, and, after examination, were sent to the grand jury on commitments for felony. Brannon repeated the statement in court this morning that he voluntarily made when arrested yesterday, that the robberies were the result of a conspiracy between the men, to make easy money to be divided between them. Brannon was the night watchman at the factory, with whose connivance the thefts could be made easily. Davis is the owner of a team of mules, and Eames was driving. The first theft was of ten bags of peanuts at an early hour last Saturday morning. These were safely disposed of for \$15.55. Eames managed by the means of this transaction, a second theft of thirteen bags was committed early yesterday morning, and these were sold for \$59.55. Eames receiving and cashing the check in each case. But the untold loss of a bag from the wagon yesterday morning resulted in the exposure of the robbery scheme, and the arrest of the parties implicated in it. Investigation showed that this was one of twenty-three bags stolen from the Dixie Peanut Company, and the discovery of the alleged robbers and the places where the nuts had been sold soon followed.

Robbed His Friend.

Andrew Meredith, a white man, was sentenced to jail for five months this morning for robbing James G. Bacon, of Blackstone, of \$20. The two men had been together during the day, and when he retired at a boarding-house on Hollingsworth Street, Meredith left with him. When he awoke it was to discover that two \$10 bills were missing from his pocket. He informed the police and yesterday, Meredith, arrested, claiming that Bacon had given him the money. This was denied by Bacon, and the jail sentence followed.

Pretty Dinwiddie Wedding.

At the home of the bride, at Sumnerland, in Dinwiddie County, yesterday afternoon, Miss Carrie Draxton Watkins, sister of J. Douglas Watkins, of this city, was married to Howard Ford, of Church Road. A large company of relatives and friends witnessed the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. Mr. Smith, pastor of Trinity Methodist Church. The bride was gown in white, hand-embroidered French batiste, trimmed with lace, and carried a bouquet of white sweet peas. She was attended by her bridesmaid, Miss Mabel Watkins, attired in white crepe de chine over blue silk. The home was decorated in white and green for the occasion, and the bride was given away by her brother, Francis Watkins, of Richmond. A number of guests were present from Dinwiddie, Petersburg and other points.

For Building Inspection.

The special committee of the Chamber of Commerce appointed to make investigation and recommendations on the subject of building and plumbing inspection, met last evening and gave full consideration to the matter. A number of persons were present, and among the speakers was A. H. Harris, president of the Virginia Fire Prevention Bureau. The importance of a proper building inspection code was fully discussed, and it was decided that such a code should be drafted for submission to the Council. The work of drafting such code was put in the hands of a committee. In discussing the general need of a building code, Mr. Harris referred to an inspection of buildings some time ago. Of the 61

buildings inspected, 323 needed improvements, while 123 were in bad condition.

Petersburg-Atlanta Highway.
Dinwiddie, Brunswick and Mecklenburg Counties have agreed to do their parts towards perfecting the project of the Petersburg-Atlanta Highway, and the government engineers will get to work as soon as possible. D. H. Winslow, of the Office of Public Roads at Washington, is here in his official automobile, and will make Petersburg his headquarters until all of the counties north of the city agree to meet the requirements of the government. He has charge of the work between Petersburg and Fayetteville, N. C., and will begin operations at once on his division.

Personal and General.
Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Brister and daughter, and Miss M. L. Mattox left to-day for New York via the Old Dominion Line.

Petersburg was well treated by the State Council of Daughters of Liberty, in session this week at Danville. Mrs. J. W. Elder was elected State Vice-Councilor, and Mrs. Rosa B. Perkins was elected a national representative. A delegation of twelve from Petersburg and Ettrick went to the State Council.

May 26, Federal Memorial Day, will be observed with services at the National Cemetery in Dinwiddie, and that at City Point.

In the Police Court this morning Sam Harris was fined \$100 for peddling goods without a license.

The city budget for the coming year, the finance committee recommends an appropriation for the pay of four extra policemen to be appointed on the force.

Ernest H. Bragg, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Bragg, of this city, is confined in an Atlanta hospital with a broken leg, caused by being struck by an automobile.

A large delegation of Petersburg Elks went over to Richmond this evening to attend a "social session" given in their honor by the Richmond lodge. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Byars, of Bristol, are visiting in Petersburg.

Miss Jessie Bailey, after a visit of several weeks to the family of James H. Bailey, on Liberty Street, has returned to her home in Jersey City, N. J.

Motoring parties will soon start out on trips in and around the city, with colors and decorations, to advertise the Chautauqua, which opens here on June 17.

BILL TO PROMOTE GALT

TO REAR-ADMIRAL RANK

Would Be in Recognition of Extraordinary Heroism Just Prior to Battle of Manila Bay.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Washington, May 28.—A bill was introduced by Senator Martin of Virginia, to-day, to empower the President to promote Pay Director William Wilson Galt, United States Navy, to the rank of rear-admiral upon his retirement.

Recognition of the extraordinary heroism and important service performed in connection with preparing the gunboat Raleigh for the battle of Manila Bay.

Pay Director Galt was born in Norfolk, appointed to the navy from Virginia, and is at present stationed at the Norfolk Navy Yard. He will reach the retirement age on July 15, after thirty-eight years of service. He is the only active officer in the staff of the navy who has been promoted for extraordinary heroism. He will be retired as a pay director, unless promoted by executive order. Admiral Dewey, who commanded the "Raleigh" at Manila, has written to the department strongly favoring the legislation.

A few hours before the battle of Manila Bay, Galt carried a small engine in a tiny rowboat through a tropical storm from the shore to the gunboat Raleigh, after many narrow escapes from sinking. Without the small engine the Raleigh would have been unable to engage in the battle.

Three Candidates for Mayor.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Lynchburg, Va., May 28.—The contest for the mayoralty of Lynchburg, for which F. W. Whicker announced himself several days ago, has been intensified by the announcement of W. H. Jones, a young attorney at law, as a Democrat, and Adon A. Yoder as the regular candidate for the Socialists. At least one other candidate is expected. The time closes on Tuesday, and the election will be June 23.

LANGLEY'S OLD AEROPLANE
DEMONSTRATES ITS POWER

First Man-Carrying Machine Built in
World Proves Its Ability
to Fly.

HIS THEORY IS VINDICATED

Inventor Died Broken-Hearted Man
Instead of Winning Deserved Fame
During His Lifetime.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

Hammondsport, N. Y., May 28.—By rising from Lake Keuka, under its own power to-day, Langley's famous old aeroplane demonstrated its ability to do more than its gifted designer expected of it.

Not only did the original machine fly, it also carried pontoons and attachments weighing 300 pounds beyond Dr. Langley's calculations.

The pontoons were added here to enable the machine to be launched from the water. In previous trials the Langley aeroplane was launched from a catapult on top of a houseboat, and the flying machine was broken in the attempts to launch it.

This was the first successful man-carrying aeroplane built in the world, and its ability to fly has been a disputed question for the past decade. It was flown to-day by Glenn H. Curtiss. The trials were observed by Dr. Charles D. Walcott, secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, Dr. Albert F. Zahm, of Smithsonian, and most of the inhabitants of Hammondsport and vicinity.

A puff wind, disconcerting to the most modern machines, and the erratic performance of the old motor, cut the trial short after the first demonstration of the machine's ability to raise itself from water.

The machine was the original Langley machine, and a duplicate. No changes have been made beyond replacing the old cloth with new and making the wings in the shape of a plane of those broken when the machine was thrown into the Potomac eleven years ago.

Further flights probably will be made, but even the short demonstration this morning was sufficient to establish Dr. Langley as the man who actually designed and produced the aeroplane capable of flying with a man. It did more, in fact, than any of the aeroplanes flown in this country prior to 1908, for no outside means were used to help it attain its initial velocity required to raise it into the air.

The old relic was wheeled from its hangar early to-day, the pilot immediately climbed into the seat, and was away under much the same conditions as would prevail in a flight of the latest model aeroplane. The flight was a short one.

LITTLE RESEMBLES

TRIM FLYERS OF TO-DAY

The Langley machine, but little resembles the modern trim flyers of to-day, but in its crude state it embodies the basic principles of aviation, and after many years of neglect, the "old junk" came into its own, giving its inventor his deserved place among the recorded pioneers of aviation. But for an untimely accident, and what was termed the "inimicable support of the government," Langley undoubtedly would have won fame during his lifetime. Instead, he died a broken-hearted man, after devoting twenty years of his life to the study of aviation.

Years later others received the fame

and credit of which he should have had a share.

Langley made the fatal error of trying to catapult the flyer into the air with the aid of ponderous springs, but he only succeeded in wrecking the machine. Had he tried the method pursued to-day of running it along the ground and allowing it to rise gradually in the air, it is little doubt he would have made the first flight in a heavier-than-air machine.

The antiquated machine was sent to Hammondsport about two months ago. Scarcely a change was made in its work. The surface of the wings, which had suffered from long storage, were replaced. Other minor parts repaired were duplicates of the originals. The machine was driven to-day by the old motor, built by Charles Manly.

Dr. Langley was the secretary of the Smithsonian Institution. He was satisfied of the possibility of flight in heavier-than-air machines, and spent years in working on the problem. In 1896 he flew a steam-drive model a distance of about a mile over the Potomac River.

MICHIGAN GRAND LODGE

GIVES \$5,000 TO MEMORIAL FUND

Alexandria, Va., May 28.—The Grand Lodge of Masons of the State of Michigan, in session in Flint, Mich., has donated the sum of \$5,000 to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, of this city, the object of which is the erection of a permanent memorial temple here to Washington, in the Mason, which will cost \$1,000,000.

This is the first contribution received from a grand lodge, and also the largest subscription thus far received. The Michigan Grand Lodge, it is believed, will be followed by other grand lodges throughout the country, which will insure its erection. Indorsement of the project was given by the Grand Masters' Association of the United States in session recently in St. Louis.

C. H. Callahan, secretary of the local committee, to-day received a telegram from Flint, Mich., announcing the action of the Michigan Grand Lodge.

Showing Freak Chicken.

Bracey, Va., May 28.—M. B. Garland has on exhibit in alcohol a young chicken that has two heads, three eyes, two perfectly formed bills, and only two feet. This chicken made a noise with both bills, but only lived a short while.

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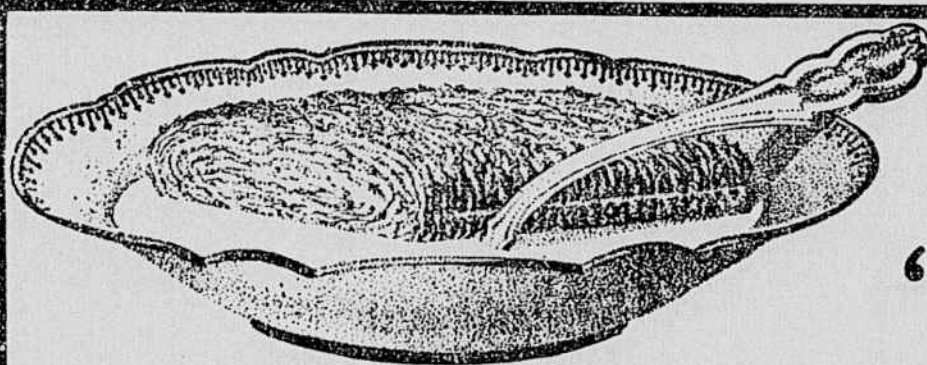
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Another remarkable report is Mr. W. P. Lassiter, who keeps a grocery store at Fayette Avenue, South Norfolk. Has had catarrh of the head, roaring ring, ringing noises, a nasty slimy and mucous dripping down in throat, causing hawking, spitting all the time, stomach weak, bloated, lump of lead feeling in pit of stomach, palpitation of heart, shortness of breath, dizziness, headache, no appetite, losing flesh for the past three years; has taken enough medicine to fill a barrel, but nothing ever gave much relief. He started using Quaker Herb Extract, and to-day reports a wonderful improvement. In fact, he has got relieved of all that debilitated, despondent feeling, and says Quaker Herb Extract is the only medicine that has ever reached his case. Reports are still pouring in from people right here at home. Call to-day at Tragle's drug store, 317 East Broad Street, and obtain Quaker Herb Extract, \$5.00 for six bottles, three for \$2.50; single, \$1.00. Oil of Balm, 50c.—Advertisement.

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